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SENT BERLIN 288 DEPARTMENT 1071 REPEATED INFORMATION MOSCOW  
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REFERENCE DEPTTEL 1002.

DUCKWITZ, HEAD EASTERN SECTION FOREIGN OFFICE, INFORMED BY  
THREE EMBASSIES TODAY OF CONTINGENCY PLANS (SEE BELOW).  
HE MADE NO PARTICULAR COMMENT AND FULLY CONCURRED NEED FOR  
SECRECY.

FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS TO BERLIN TRIPARTITELY AGREED:

"THREE DEPUTIES SHOULD SEE BRANDT AND AMREHN TOGETHER  
TOMORROW (THURSDAY) IF POSSIBLE AND PRESENT TO THEM AS FOLLOWS  
TRIPARTITELY AGREED PROCEDURES FOR USE IF THERE ANY CHANGE  
IN CONTROL ACCESS TO BERLIN:

1. IF SOVIET PERSONNEL AT CHECKPOINTS ARE REPLACED BY EAST  
GERMANS, AND IF LATTER MERELY ASK TO SEE ALLIED TRAVEL DOCU-  
MENTATION, THIS CAN BE SHOWN UNDER ORAL PROTEST PROVIDED  
THERE NO REPEAT NO OTHER FORMALITIES. PROTEST WILL BE MADE  
THEREAFTER TO SOVIET AUTHORITIES REASSERTING THREE POWERS  
CONTINUE HOLD SOVIETS RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTENANCE FREE  
ACCESS TO BERLIN AND THAT NO REPEAT NO HINDRANCE THIS ACCESS  
WILL BE TOLERATED.

2. IF, HOWEVER, EITHER SOVIET OR EAST GERMAN CHECKPOINT  
OFFICIALS DEMAND NEW FORM OF TRAVEL DOCUMENTATION, ATTEMPT TO  
IMPOSE CUSTOMS OR CURRENCY CONTROL OR PAYMENT OF AUTOBAHN

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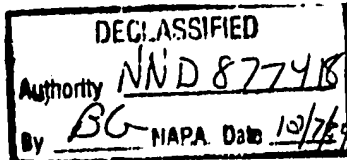
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TOLLS, MILITARY TRAINS OR AUTOBAHN VEHICLES WILL TURN BACK RATHER THAN SUBMIT TO ANY THESE DEMANDS.

3. IT SHOULD BE EXPLAINED THESE PROCEDURES ORIGINALLY ADOPTED UNDER HIGH COMMISSION IN 1954 AND HAVE BEEN REAFFIRMED SINCE AFTER CAREFUL CONSIDERATION OF SUBJECT 1 LIGHT SUBSEQUENT DEVELOPMENTS. TWO BASIC AIMS IN WORKING OUT PROCEDURES WERE (A) AVOID ANYTHING WHICH MIGHT BE CONSTRUED AS EVEN DE FACTO RPT DE FACTO RECOGNITION GDR AND (B) TO EXTENT POSSIBLE IN LIGHT (A), TO AVOID SELF-BLOCKADE.

4. THREE EMBASSIES TODAY INFORMED DUCKWITZ OF FOREGOING, AND STRONGLY CAUTIONED HIM REGARDING NEED UTMOST SECRECY. HE WAS ASKED COMMUNICATE INFORMATION ONLY TO THOSE SENIOR OFFICIALS IN BONN WHO NEEDED KNOW, AND HE WAS SPECIFICALLY ASKED NOT REPEAT NOT TO COMMUNICATE IT TO ANYONE IN BERLIN. HE WAS TOLD BRANDT AND AMREHN WOULD BE INFORMED TOMORROW BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THREE POWERS THERE AND SIMILARLY CAUTIONED CONCERNING SECRECY. DEPUTIES SHOULD THEREFORE REQUEST BRANDT AND AMREHN TO KEEP INFORMATION TO THEMSELVES.

5. IF BRANDT OR AMREHN ASKS (BUT NOT REPEAT NOT OTHERWISE) WHAT WE INTEND DO IF SOVIETS ATTEMPT INTRODUCE EAST GERMANS INTO BASC, DEPUTIES MAY SAY EAST GERMAN WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE ACCEPTED. (DUCKWITZ WAS NOT REPEAT NOT INFORMED OF THIS AS HE DID NOT REPEAT NOT ASK)."

WE MEETING TRIPARTITELY TOMORROW TO WORK OUT STATEMENT REQUESTED FINAL PARA REFTEL.

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